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13	EQUALIA, LLC, a California limited liability company, and HOVERBOARD	CASE NO. 2:16-cv-02851-RFB-CWH			
14	TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION, a California corporation,	PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO			
15	Plaintiffs,	DEFENDANTS KUSHGO, LLC, ARTHUR ANDREAYSAN, AND HALO BOARD,			
16	V.	LLC'S EMERGENCY MOTION TO QUASH AMENDED DEPOSITION			
17	17 KUSHGO LLC dba HALO BOARD, a California limited liability company; HALO BOARD LLC, an Oregon limited NOTICE AND FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER [FIRST REQUEST]				
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20	SHENZHEN WINDGOO INTELLIGENT TECHNOLOGY CO. LTD., a foreign				
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22	Defendants.				
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25	Plaintiffs Equalia, LLC and Hoverboa	ard Technologies Corporation (collectively			
26		ecord, Ropers Majeski Kohn & Bentley, hereby			
27	moves this Court for an extension of time to	respond to Defendants' Emergency Motion To			
28	Quash Amended Deposition Notice And For Protective Order (ECF No. 77 and 78).				

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	1	Equalia's Motion for Extension	of Time is based on the following Memorandum of Points		
	2	and Authorities; the pleadings and papers on file herein; the Declaration of Lael D. Andara.,			
	3	counsel for Equalia; and any oral arguments that this Court will permit at a hearing on the matter.			
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	5	Dated: February 23, 2017	ROPERS, MAJESKI, KOHN & BENTLEY		
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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. **INTRODUCTION**

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On February 17, 2017, Equalia conducted the deposition of Arthur Andreasyan, a Kusgho officer and employee. During the deposition, Equalia confirmed that Avetik Andreasyan, another crucial Kusgho officer and employee, held pertinent information and knowledge regarding Kushgo's operations in jurisdictions outside of California. That same day, Equalia served on Defendant's counsel a "Notice of Taking Deposition of Avetik Andreasyan" for February 24, 2017, which Equalia later re-noticed for March 7, 2017 to accommodate Avetik's extended absence from this country.

On February 21, 2017, Defendants filed an Emergency Motion to Quash Equalia's Amended Deposition Notice of Avetik Andreasyan. ECF No. 78. In this motion, Defendants falsely argue that Equalia is limited to only deposing Defendants' designated corporate representative about Kusgho's jurisdiction operations, and therefore cannot depose Avetik. Moreover, Defendants now erroneously claim that Avetik is not a Kusgho employee, and that Equalia must incur costly expenses and time to personally serve Avetik as a non-party.

Equalia refutes Defendants position and intend to oppose Defendants' Emergency Motion. Specifically, testimony developed during Arthur's deposition confirms that Avetik is an employee and managing agent for Kusgho, and therefore Equalia can notice his deposition without a subpoena. However, Equalia has been informed that a certified copy of Arthur's deposition transcript is not available to support Equalia's opposition until February 27, 2017. As a result, Equalia moves this Court for an extension to respond to Defendants' Emergency Motion until March 3, 2017, especially because Equalia will suffer prejudice absent this brief extension.

II. SUMMARY OF PERTINENT FACTS

Since February 2, 2017, Equalia informed Defendants that it intended to depose Avetik Andreasyan because Equalia believed Avetik would have relevant information to jurisdictional issues based on his representations to Equalia at the Consumer Electronics Show ("CES") in Las Vegas, Nevada. Andara Decl., ¶¶3-7, Ex. A-C. Specifically, at CES Avetik introduced himself to Equalia's officers and agents as a partner with Arthur Andreasyan in Kushgo and held himself out

as a Kusgho officer to the public. Andara Decl., ¶¶3-5, Ex. B-C. Based on these representations, Equalia intended to depose Avetik pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 30(a)(1) as a Kusgho managing agent and officer with factual knowledge about Kushgo's jurisdictional operations. Andara Decl., ¶7.

Notwithstanding this simple request, Defendants made specious arguments to obstruct Equalia's right underneath this Court's Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order to conduct basic jurisdictional discovery. ECF No. 66. Exemplary of this obstruction is Defendants' arguments that Equalia is only limited to depose a corporate representative of Defendants, and therefore cannot conduct further depositions of individuals who likely have jurisdictional information regarding Kusgho's operations. ECF No. 78, 3:1-4. Moreover, Defendants erroneously now claim Avetik is not a Kusgho employee, and that Equalia must incur costly expenses and time to personally serve Avetik as a non-party. ECF No. 2:22-3:1; Andara Decl., ¶7, 3:7-8. But this is nothing more than an apparent attempt by Defendants to avoid Avetik providing pertinent jurisdictional testimony.

For example, on February 6, 2017, the parties conducted a meet and confer to resolve this issue (among others) informally before noticing Avetik's deposition. Andara Decl. ¶7. At this meet and confer, Equalia's counsel made it specifically clear to Defendants' counsel that Equalia wanted to notice Avetik's deposition as a Kushgo managing agent with pertinent jurisdictional information. Andara Decl., ¶7, 3:5-6. Despite not making any factual inquiry into Avetik's employment relationship with Kusgho, Defendants' counsel represented Avetik was a non-party and Equalia needed to personally serve him. Andara Decl., ¶7, 3:7-8. Moreover, Defendants' counsel bluntly stated Kushgo was not going to consent to the depositions of Arthur's family members regardless of whether they were employees or not. Andara Decl., ¶7, 4:20-21. Instead, Defendants' counsel informed that Equalia would have to move to compel Avetik's deposition. Andara Decl., ¶7, 5:10-17.

Thereafter, on February 17, 2017, Equalia took the deposition of Arthur. Andara Decl., ¶8. During this deposition, Arthur testified that Avetik: (1) was one of two primary employees for Kushgo; (2) met with the manufacture of the infringing product that spawned this litigation; (3)

was the primary person to communicate with the manufacturer over the last year; (4) worked at the Kushgo facility; (5) appeared on multiple social media postings and videos, (6) and was listed by Kushgo as the Chief Operating Officer at the recent CES show that Avetik had attended as an exhibitor for Kushgo. Andara Decl., ¶¶9-11. Based on Arthur's testimony, that same day Equalia served on Defendants' counsel a Notice of Taking Deposition of Avetik Andreasyan because it was clear Kushgo employed Avetik and he was a managing agent. Andara Decl., ¶¶12-14, Ex. F.

III. ARGUMENT

A. THIS COURT SHOULD EXTEND THE DATE FOR EQUALIA TO RESPOND TO DEFENDANTS' EMERGENCY MOTION BECAUSE ARTHUR'S TESTIMONY IS PERTINENT TO DECIDING THIS MOTION.

When Rule 30 was amended in 1970 to place a duty on a corporation to designate the person with the most knowledge of the subject area to be examined on the corporation, *it did not preclude a party from requesting to depose a specific officer or agent of a corporation. United States v. One Parcel of Real Estate at 5860 N. Bay Rd., Miami Beach, Fla.*, 121 F.R.D. 439, 440 (S.D. Fla. 1988); *Cadent Ltd. v. 3M Unitek Corp.*, 232 F.R.D. 625, 628 (C.D. Cal. 2005). As the advisory committee notes to the 1970 amendment state, "if the examining party believes that certain officials who have not testified pursuant to this subdivision have added information, he [or she] may depose them." Fed. R. Civ. P. 30 (1970 Advisory Committee Notes). Thus, a party wishing to depose a "specific officer or agent of a corporation may still obtain it and is not required to allow the corporation to decide for itself whose testimony the other party may have." *One Parcel of Real Estate at 5860 N. Bay Rd., Miami Beach, Fla.*, 121 F.R.D. at 440.

Here, Defendants have moved to quash Equalia's deposition notice for Avetik because he allegedly is a non-party to this action. But despite this unsubstantiated claim, at Arthur's deposition on February 17, 2017, Arthur testified to numerous facts that demonstrate Avetik is not only a Kushgo employee, but a managing agent and officer with jurisdictional information. As such, a certified copy of Arthur's deposition transcript is pertinent to Equalia's opposition to Defendants' Emergency Motion. But Equalia has been informed that a certified copy of Arthur's deposition transcript is not available to support Equalia's opposition until February 27, 2017.

Andara Decl. ¶29. Consequently, good cause exists under Local Rule IA-6-1 for this Court to extend the date for Equalia to file its opposition to Kushgo's Emergency Motion until after it receives a certified transcript of Arthur's deposition.

B. THIS COURT SHOULD EXTEND THE DATE FOR EQUALIA TO RESPOND TO DEFENDANTS' EMERGENCY MOTION BECAUSE EQUALIA WILL SUFFER PREJUDICE.

Under Local Rule 7-4, it is the policy of this Court to discourage the use of emergency motions. *See* L.R. 7-4(b) ("Emergency motions should be rare."). This is because the filing of emergency motions creates numerous problems for the opposing party and the court resolving them. *Painter v. Atwood*, No. 2:12-CV-01215-JCM, 2014 WL 6871750, at *1 (D. Nev. Nov. 25, 2014). As such, a Court retains the discretion to deny any matter submitted as an "emergency' motion when, in fact, there is no emergency. *Id*.

Here, Defendants' insistence to resort to filing emergency motions consistently when no emergency is present has created numerous issues for Equalia that will cause prejudice if an extension is not granted. First, there was absolutely no emergency facing Defendants to justify them filing their motion on an emergency basis. Equalia has noticed Avetik's deposition for March 7, 2017. Therefore, Defendants had until March 7, 2017 to file any motion for a protective order, which would have precluded Equalia from conducting the deposition until this Court rendered an order on that motion. Moreover, if Defendants had regularly noticed their Emergency Motion, Equalia's response would not have been due until March 7, 2017. L.R. 7-2(b). Thus, a regularly noticed motion would also have provided Equalia sufficient time to obtain Arthur's deposition transcript. Additionally, Defendants' motion would have been fully briefed before this Court by March 14, 2017, creating no procedural issues because jurisdictional discovery does not conclude until April 13, 2017. The parties therefore would still have had a full month to conduct Avetik's deposition after March 14, 2017. ECF No. 66, 3:11-15. As a result, there was absolutely no emergency to cause Defendants to file another baseless Emergency Motion.

Secondly, Defendants' Emergency Motion prejudices Equalia from presenting vital evidence to this Court to resolve this dispute. As explained in great detail above, Arthur's testimony at his deposition is pertinent to resolving the issue before the Court. Therefore,

Defendants' Emergency Motion forces Equalia to oppose their motion without this transcript and
any time to brief this Court on these issues. This results in Equalia sustaining undue prejudice that
is not warranted or curable. Simply stated, Defendants' Emergency Motion is nothing more than
an ill-conceived attempt to cause this Court to resolve this dispute without Equalia introducing
evidence against their position. This tactic is strongly disfavored, as this district has a policy to
hear disputes on the merits and prevent a decision by ambush. See Silver State Broad., LLC v.
Beasley FM Acquisition, No. 211CV01789APGCWH, 2016 WL 320110, at *4 (D. Nev. Jan. 25,
2016); see also Shakespear v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., No. 2:12-CV-01064-MMD, 2013 WL
6498898, at *4 (D. Nev. Dec. 10, 2013). Therefore, this Court should extend the date for Equalia
to respond to Defendants' Emergency Motion until March 3, 2017 to avoid Equalia sustaining
undue prejudice.

IV. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

For the reasons stated above, Equalia respectfully request this Court to extend the date for Equalia to respond to Defendants' Emergency Motion until March 3, 2017.

Dated: February 23, 2017 ROPERS, MAJESKI, KOHN & BENTLEY

By: <u>/s/ Timothy J. Lepore</u> STEPHEN J. ERIGERO

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IT IS SO ORDERED:

RICHARD F. BOULWARE, II
United States District Judge
DATED this 13th day of March, 2017.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with Rule 5(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, I hereby certify that on the 23rd day of February 2017, a copy of **PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO DEFENDANTS KUSHGO, LLC, ARTHUR ANDREAYSAN, AND HALO BOARD, LLC'S EMERGENCY MOTION TO QUASH AMENDED DEPOSITION NOTICE AND FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER, was served on all CM/ECF registered parties by filing and serving the same using the CM/ECF filing system.**

/s/ Timothy J. Lepore

TIMOTHY J. LEPORE An employee of Ropers Majeski Kohn & Bentley, P.C.

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20	ANDREASÝAN, an individual; and SHENZHEN WINDGOO INTELLIGENT	
21	TECHNOLOGY CO. LTD., a foreign company,	
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25	I, Lael D. Andara, hereby declare as f	ollows:

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RATION OF LAEL D. ANDARA IN T OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION **FENSION OF TIME TO** D TO DEFENDANTS KUSHGO, THUR ANDREAYSAN, AND OARD, LLC'S EMERGENCY N TO QUASH AMENDED ΓΙΟΝ NOTICE AND FOR TIVE ORDER

I am a partner in the law firm of Ropers Majeski Kohn & Bentley, counsel for 1. Equalia LLC and Hoverboard Technologies Corporation (collectively, "Equalia") in this action. I am a member in good standing of the California State Bar, New York State Bar, the District of

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Columbia, and this Court. I have personal known	wledge of the fact	ts stated here	and am	familiar	with
the documents referred to below					

- 2. If called as a witness, I would competently testify to the following facts, all of which are within my own personal knowledge.
- 3. Contrary to Defendants unsubstantiated and false assertion at ECF 72 at 3:18-19, beginning on **February 2, 2017** at 8:41 a.m., I notified defense counsel of our intent to depose Avetik Andreasyan who had met with Robert Bigler at CES and presented himself as a partner in Kushgo with Arthur Andreasyan.
- 4. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of the email exchange between myself and defense counsel on February 2, 2017.
- 5. I observed Avetik Andreasyan attending the CES tradeshow as an exhibitor for Halo Board over several days. Attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is a true and correct copy of a picture I took of the Haloboard booth where you can see Arthur and Avetik Andreasyan exhibiting under the Halo board banner.
- 6. Attached hereto as **Exhibit** C is a true and correct copy of a print out from the CES website that was posted by CES using information Kushgo provided that stated that Avetik Andreasyan was the Chief Operating Officer of Kushgo and listed his email as "purchasing@haloboard.com," which was marked as Exhibit 1 to the deposition of Arthur Andreasyan.
- 7. On February 6, 2017, a meet and confer was conducted. That meet and confer was recorded, at the defendants' request, and relevant excepts as to Equalia's request to depose Avetik are provided and consistent with my recollection of the call:
 - Steve Rinehart: I don't know I don't if he's being W2ed or 1099ed. I think he is getting compensation from the company.
 - Lael Andara: Okay, but you asserted he is not related to this case and we needed to subpoena him – so I'm assuming you would have done some investigation before making that statement.
 - Steve Rinehart: We have the right to designate a corporate representative who is going to

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not noticing a deposition of a corporate representative. We are noticing a deposition of an individual – which we have the right to do.

Steve Rinehart: You are noticing a deposition of a non-party. If it's an individual, he will need to be served as any non-party would have to be.

Lael Andara: Okay, so I want to be very clear here: you are not going to make an employee of the company available for deposition that we specifically identified.

Steve Rinehart: I hadn't told you that he's an employee though.

Lael Andara: Well, but you don't know. So unless you can represent he's not an employee – I want to be clear on this because we are going to move to the court for... to compel the deposition for sanctions because you are not doing any investigation. You are shooting from the hip and making representations you don't even know to be true.

Steve Rinehart: Okay. You go ahead and do that.

---BREAK---

Lael Andara: Okay. So again, I think the court's already ruled on the fact that there's not going to be a.... If we were deposing a witness who had no testimony relating to jurisdictional – the court may say, yes you need to wait until after the April deadline. But, for example, with Arthur's brother, he is involved with the marketing and the operations of the business – he's going to know who made the purchases and to the extent that there is activity in Nevada. And furthermore, he was in Nevada when my clients talked with him. So he absolutely has information related to jurisdictional discovery – he was in Nevada – so he's going to know who he talked to in Nevada, you know what potential transactions occurred in Nevada.

Steve Rinehart: Okay, it sounds to me like you are on a fishing expedition. You're trying – I think what you are trying to do is harass Arthur by trying to threaten his

family members. I'm going to make su	e the court	
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Lael Andara: We are not deposing a family member. We are deposing somebody that was at CES that represented to be a member of the company, an employee, which you are not aware of – that's who we are deposing. The distinction that he's the brother of Arthur is completely peripheral – we don't care. If you are telling me and you can represent on the record that he's not an employee or an officer of the company, then we will withdraw the notice. But you have not done that. We are not deposing him for the simple fact that he's the brother of the named defendant.

Steve Rinehart: You haven't sent over the notice. You identified him as his brother in the email that you sent me and I do not know if he's an employee. I have no notice from you about it but I do know that the designated corporate representative for Kushgo is Arthur Andreasyan and he's also a party. We don't have any objection to you deposing him during jurisdictional discovery. But we are not going to consent to deposition of his family members regardless of whether they are employees or not.

---BREAK---

Lael Andara: Well, is not resolution but I will agree that we won't move forward on a motion to compel for the site inspection until after the April jurisdictional thing passes. I mean listen, the fact of the matter is that it is pretty clear that the PJ motion is not going to be successful but we are still being required to run through the chutes and ladders on that. And so putting this off seems short of artificial given that fact, and given the fact that your client said on the stand that he was selling product in Nevada. But, you know, again I do think you are going to need to move for protective order, because – and again can you please tell us the name of Arthur's brother?

Steve Rinehart: I honestly don't have it memorized. I don't know what it is.

Lael Andara: Do you know what his title is at the company?

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2	Lael Andara:	Okay.
3	Steve Rinehart:	And, and I mean, I can try to get you some information about it –
4	ŀ	out we are not going to consent to you deposing Arthur's brother – you
5	a	re going to have to move for a motion to compel on that if you feel like
6	у	ou need to. We will respond aggressively to the motion to compel that you
7	f	ile and we will seek attorney's fees. It's frivolous, I think it's unnecessary
8	-	-but I know you disagree. This is a discovery dispute that if you insist on
9	V	we are going to have to put this one to court because we're are not going
10	t	o consent.
11	Lael Andara: 1	'll make you a comprise offer on the brother's deposition.
12	Steve Rinehart:	Okay.
13	Lael Andara:	If you will make Arthur available for deposition in Northern California
14	l	ike we previously discussed, then you are taking away my argument for
15	V	why we need to conduct both depositions in Southern California.
16	Steve Rinehart:	The compromise position that perhaps we can reach is meeting in
17	(Central California.
18	Lael Andara: V	Well, but counsel – that's a distinction without a difference because my
19	C	client is still paying for travel, I'm still making travel. I mean, candidly,
20	t	he difference between LAX and Central California is no different. I mean
21	į	f we were talking Denver to DC that would be a difference, but not when
22	y	ou are talking California when the flight is only an hour itself. I mean,
23	t	hat's not going to be an appreciable difference.
24	8. On Feb i	ruary 17, 2017, I took the deposition of Arthur Andreasyan as to
25	jurisdictional and fact d	liscovery issues in this case. This deposition was continued as the witness
26	indicated to substantial	ly all of the responses that he would have to review documents before he
27	would answer.	
28	9. My reco	llection of the testimony of Arthur Andreasyan is that Avetik is one of two

primary employees of Kushgo who has a total staff of six individuals.

- 10. My recollection of the testimony of Arthur Andreasyan, is that Avetik and Arthur met with the manufacturer for dinner in Studio City California.
- 11. In the morning session of the **February 17, 2007** deposition, I asked to speak with opposing counsel in the hall because of Arthur Andreasyan's testimony of the continuous and extensive work Avetik Andreasyan has performed for Kushgo. I began the conversation by asking if he would make Avetik available for deposition, to which opposing counsel looked stunned. I then reiterated that I had just heard his client admit that Avetik was the only one who met with the manufacturer of the accused product in China, was the primary person to communicate with the manufacturer over the last year, did work at the Kushgo facility, appeared on multiple social media postings and videos, and was listed by Kushgo as the Chief operating Officer at the recent CES show that Avetik had attended as an exhibitor for Kushgo. Counsel then indicated he would have to think about it, to which I reminded him that we had requested to conduct Avetik and Arthurs' deposition on February 2, 2017 at the same time based on their role as "partners" in Kushgo.
- 12. At the lunch break, I directed my associate to prepare a notice of deposition for Avetik Andreasyan based on the deposition testimony of Arthur Andreasyan. We had previously prepared a subpoena for his testimony as a non-employee. Attached hereto as **Exhibit D** is a true and correct copy of the email sent at 1:18 p.m. PST that I directed my associate to serve on counsel for Kushgo LLC, attaching the Notice of Deposition under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 30 (b)(1) for Avetik Andreasyan.
- 13. Equalia did not notice the deposition of Avetik Andreasyan under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 30 (b)(6) as defendants imply at ECF 72 3:19-20 and ECF 78 3:2-6.
- 14. Contrary to Defendants false assertion at ECF 72 1:23-25; 2:5-6 and 3:6-10, Equalia had not even drafted the notice of Deposition for Avetik Andreasyan until after I had heard substantiating testimony of Arthur Andreasyan that Kushgo had control and was employing Avetik. This was also after I had met and conferred with counsel in the hall.
 - 15. At some point during the deposition and I believe on the record defense counsel

Mr. Rinehart had invited us to send over a notice of Deposition for Avetik Andreasyan, but I
cannot recall if that was before or after the lunch break. The statement will be in the transcript of
the deposition.

- 16. My motivation in seeking the deposition notice of Avetik Andreasyan has been objectively stated from the beginning (see Exhibit A) based on his involvement with Kushgo as a partner, which he represented to Equalia while in Nevada, *and* his continuous and substantial activity for Kushgo outside of California performed for Kushgo as demonstrated by the testimony of Arthur Andreasyan. These facts provide a good faith basis for my belief that Avetik may have had contacts in Nevada on behalf of Kushgo beyond simply attending CES.
- 17. I have requested an expedited copy of the deposition of Arthur Andreasyan and was informed we will receive it on **February 27, 2017**.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on February 23, 2017, in Redwood City, California.

<u>/s/ Lael D. Andara</u> LAEL D. ANDARA

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INDEX OF EXHIBITS ATTACHED TO DECLARATION OF LAEL ANDARA IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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EXHIBIT A – EMAIL DATED 2.2.17

From: Andara, Lael D.

To: "Steven Rinehart"; phil@philrinehart.com

Cc: Sobieski, Marie E.; Riedell, Roxana; Lepore, Timothy J.

Subject: RE: Depositions

Date: Thursday, February 02, 2017 8:41:25 AM

Counsel,

INSPECTION

Pursuant to FRCP 34 (a)(2) we will be sending over a site inspection notice for February 15th so that we can inspect, photograph, and document the current inventory of enjoined products at your clients facility in Los Angeles. I anticipate that will take an hour or so. Please confirm the address were the devices are currently maintained.

DEPOSITION

In addition we will also be sending over a deposition notice for Arthur's brother based on the his role with the company as described to the Biglers at CES. We believe this testimony will be relevant to jurisdictional issues and also we want to conduct these depositions all at the same time since we are all traveling. FRCP 1

Please advise by end of Business February 3, 2017 so we can send out the notices accordingly.

Regards,

Lael D. Andara Ropers Majeski Kohn & Bentley PC

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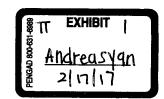


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